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FOOD SUPPLY

May 51- The food situation of the city is ~~increasingly~~ becoming steadily worse.

Recently the sale of sugar, which was sold freely up to now, ~~has been~~  
~~sold freely~~, has been again subjected to rationing.

## B) POLITICAL INFORMATION

## 1) ARREST OF FATHER CLEMENTE GATTI

Mar 51- In the month in the margin this priest was arrested for unknown reasons.

Father GATTI belongs to the order of Franciscan monks.

At the time of the arrest he was parish priest of the Church of the Italian Legation in BUCHAREST, replacing Father ANTONIO MANTICA who was expelled from RUMANIA as ~~he~~ <sup>an</sup> was undesirable.

## 2) CLOSING OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE ITALIAN LEGATION

May 51- After the arrest of Father GATTI the Church was closed.

May 51 Still open to the public.

Rumor has it that various priests have been arested because they do not  
~~obey~~ <sup>regulations</sup> need the ~~dispositions~~ <sup>government</sup> issued by the/authorities to the clergy.

These ~~dispositions~~ <sup>regulations</sup> are said to be:

- to teach the Communist theory to their parisioners;
- to break ~~ties~~ <sup>off relations</sup> with the VATICAN.

4) ARREST OF EMPLOYEE<sup>AN</sup> OF THE ITALIAN LEGATION

May 51- Eraldo PINTORI ,

was arrested by the SECURITY <sup>AREA</sup> for unknown

reasons.

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5) MORALE OF THE POPULATION

May 51- The people are very depressed.

They do not see any way out and they are far from <sup>believing in</sup> ~~thinking of~~ an immediate improvement which has been promised by the Rumanian authorities.

The meeting of the four ~~representatives of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs~~ ~~PARIS~~ Assistant Foreign Ministers in PARIS, the frequent incidents on the various borders, the war in KOREA, the Atlantic Pact, are followed attentively by public opinion which sees in these incidents ~~even~~ the spark needed to set off the European powder keg and to play their last card which has as its purpose liberty.

C) MISCELLANEOUS

1) Jews

May 51- ~~Many~~ There are many Jews living in BUCHAREST

Some of them occupy administrative positions in ~~factories~~ Rumanian factories and establishments.

<sup>The great</sup> ~~A~~ majority of them request passports to PALESTINE.

The passport, which is denied to engineers and doctors, is usually granted to those who are in neither of these professions. Once they have left Rumania they usually try to settle in some country

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2) Unemployment

May 51- ~~Many~~ There is no unemployment in RUMANIA.

The saying "those who do not work do not eat" is ~~taken~~ taken literally by the Rumanian authorities.

Therefore one ~~can~~ sees people of various classes and intellectuals employed in work which is entirely unsuited to their <sup>education</sup> ~~culture~~, ~~lack~~ training and capability. It is also true that in many establishments the administrative posts are filled by former workers who have the sole merit of being

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~~fanatic~~ Communist fanatics.

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